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Art Unit	:	3634		

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant acknowledges examiner's statement of reasons for allowance in the Notice of Allowance dated November 29, 2000, namely, that "the primary reason for allowance is the inclusion of a rigid first cross bar connected between first and second gate segments, wherein the first cross bar is free to reciprocate with respect to guide rails in a path that is at least partially horizontal." Applicant notes that the invention is defined by the claims. Therefore, applicant reserves the right to distinguish the invention over the prior art based upon any element or combination of elements set forth in the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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